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100th Night Celebration Chilled By Car Accident

By Tamara Morse
Bullet Staff Writer

Two Mary Washington College students injured themselves Thursday night in an alcohol-related car accident on campus. The students, Mike Palmedo, 21, and Rabehaa Ghaffar, 20, crashed into a tree behind Monroe Hall after leaving the 100th Night celebration in the Eagles Nest.

The driver, Ghaffar, faces criminal charges regarding the accident. MWC Police Lieutenant Richard Knick explained that she has been charged with Driving Under the Influence (DUI), but the charge is pending the results of her Blood Alcohol Content (BAC) tests.

According to Knick, if Ghaffar's alcohol concentration is higher than 0.08 percent she will be charged with DUI. However, if her blood alcohol content is between 0.02 and 0.08 percent, she will be charged under the "No Tolerance" statute for people under the legal drinking age of 21 years.

Knick explained that, while a breathalyzer is routinely administered at the scene, in this case the students' injuries took precedence. Ghaffar later had her blood taken at the hospital for a screening of her blood alcohol content. The results will not be available until Ghaffar's trial date.

Both students sustained injuries to the face and head

from striking the front windshield of the car. In addition to stitches in his face, Palmedo suffered numerous facial lacerations and a lost tooth.

Ghaffar was unavailable for comment as to the extent of her injuries. However, a friend of Palmedo, senior Alanna Weaver, explained that Palmedo told her that Ghaffar also suffered from leg and knee injuries requiring staples above and below the knee.

Palmedo acknowledges how lucky he was to survive the accident.

"After leaving the Eagles Nest I remember pulling out of the parking place and then I woke up to all these paramedics standing over me," he said. "I'm really glad to be in one piece."

An ambulance took both students by ambulance to Mary Washington Hospital.

Witnesses at the scene described the accident as extremely bloody. Junior Wes Hevel drove by the scene as he was going to pick up senior friends from 100th Night.

"I was driving by to pick up people and I saw [the students] at the tree. They were still in the car. I ran to the police station . . . and told them that they needed paramedics," Hevel said.

Dean of Students Bernard Chirico was one of the first at the scene.

"Lieutenant Knick signaled across the room [in the

Eagles Nest] and took me to the scene. I first thought that the students had gone through the windshield. I don't think they had their seat belts on," Chirico said.

Palmedo confirmed that he was not wearing his seat belt, but he was unsure about Ghaffar.

"My observation was that things looked really bad. One student was sitting outside the car and the other was laying down outside the passenger side," said Chirico.

Chirico said that he is unsure of what the next step will be for administrative involvement.

"We'll let the criminal investigation take its course. We could take action against them administratively and I'll reserve that judgement for now. But the most important thing is that I just want them to get better," said Chirico.

Additional concern involves the 100th Night celebration itself. Many students fear that the accident will have a negative effect on future class night parties.

Michelle Trombetta, president of Class Council, believes that the tragedy was an isolated incident.

"I've been on Class Council for four years and nothing like this has ever happened. We take a lot of measures to protect against this kind of thing happening," she said.

There were several steps in place to ensure the safest evening possible. Class Council checked off each senior on either an "Over 21" or "Under 21" printout as they entered the Eagles Nest. A student over 21 then received an ID bracelet and marks on both hands. If those students chose to drink, they then had to purchase tickets from the Wood Company. Students were then served only one beer at a time, with last call at 11:30 p.m. No beer was served after 11:45 p.m.

In addition to these internal safeguards, Class Council also provided van service home from the Eagles Nest to any student who was served after 11:45 p.m.

needed a ride. They also notified students via e-mail encouraging them to designate sober drivers, Trombetta said.

"We hope it doesn't have an effect on the future of the

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Event Cancellations Derail Police And Student Groups

Police React Against Increased Cancellations

By Kimberly Jameson
Bullet Staff Writer

Campus groups will find sponsoring events to be expensive, even if the event doesn't happen. Due to a recent increase in short-notice cancellations, the Mary Washington Police/Security Cancellation Policy will now be enforced.

On Nov. 6, Mary Washington College Chief of Police Gregory T. Perry e-mailed a memorandum to everyone on campus concerning the reactivation of this policy, which requires student groups that are cancelling events to notify the police station more than 72 hours in advance, or pay \$163-\$352 in guard and officer wages, depending on the amount of security requested for the event.

"It is not a new policy. The security guards have had that policy since we began using private security; now it encompasses the MWC police," said

Perry.

All campus-event security is provided by Mary Washington College Police and Intersec security officers. The types of events which require security and the number of guards and officers required at each type of event are stated in the Special Event Security Coverage Guidelines.

The policy differs for compensation of police officers and Intersec security guards. Mary Washington College switched from Wackenbut to Intersec, an Arlington-based international security organization, at the beginning of the 1996-97 school year.

Sponsoring group(s) must pay for three hours' work per police officer if the cancellation occurs 72 hours or less prior to the scheduled event. Billing will be calculated according to the current MWC police overtime rate.

According to MWC Police



Conrad Warlick

Lieutenant Leigh Collins, the overtime rate for Mary Washington Police Officers is \$20 for all but one officer. Due to the amount of time this officer has spent on the force, his overtime rate is \$24.

Intersec security guards can be notified up to 24 hours before the scheduled event. If the cancellation is received less than 24 hours before

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No-Show Events Disappoint Black History Month Planners

By Chevonne Bray
Bullet Staff Writer

The Multicultural Center has had a run of bad luck with cancellations in its Black History Month celebration and Multicultural Series lineup.

The cancellation of the CeCe Winans concert and the postponement of the Jane Elliott lecture have brought up questions of whether Black History Month and the Multicultural Series are doing well.

Forrest A. Parker, vice president of multicultural affairs, says that the rash of cancellations in these major events is due to the participants themselves.

According to Parker, Elliott cancelled due to illness.

Junior Sam Clayton, president of Black Men of a New Direction (BOND), experienced similar

problems with the Winans concert. "CeCe Winans" manager/agent called and said that she wasn't feeling well; that she'd just gotten off tour and she was cancelling all her dates in February and March," Clayton said.

Students aware of the cancellations are disappointed and the students involved with the events are working to rectify them as quickly as possible.

Junior Ryan Miller was affected by the cancellation of the Winans concert.

"I was disappointed as a member of Voices of Praise that I didn't get a chance to open for CeCe Winans," said Miller. "I think in general that the community was disappointed because CeCe is a big name."

After the cancellations, Clayton and the Multicultural Center tried to

bring in a lesser-known gospel singer.

"Richard Smallwood came into the picture as an emergency replacement for Ms. Winans—emergency because we were trying to rush it," Clayton said.

In the end Clayton decided to cancel the event altogether.

"Codic Rucker [associate dean of student activities] advised me to cancel the event because it didn't seem as if it would be a successful venture," he said.

Though some events have gone awry, others have been very successful. Parker spoke of the success of the Shades play group, sponsored by Residence Life, and the movie "Get on the Bus," which were attended by a significant number of students and community members.

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No More Special Interest Housing At MWC

By Lee Ann Sullivan
Bullet Staff Writer

On Feb. 11 Bernard Chirico, dean of students and vice president of student affairs, officially announced that residents of Mary Washington College's five special interest houses will be moved to special interest areas of residence halls next year.

Chirico has been considering dismantling special interest houses for the past eight months. He hopes to help the special interest communities give back to the college more effectively.

"I really feel the need to try to create critical masses of students that will have a large amount of impact with what they do, give back to the community. I know that they have been trying to do that but I think they can do it better," Chirico said. "Being in residence halls, they can get other people involved. These people can learn about these cultures."

Residents of the houses began a petition in protest of this move and initiated several meetings with administrators. Many residents feel that a floor in a resident hall cannot replace the sense of community experienced in special interest houses. Chirico's decision also causes concern that the administration is changing Mary Washington traditions without acknowledging student input.

Senior Michelle Trombetta, former resident assistant of Framar and president of Class Council, is outraged over Chirico's decision.

"The school truly does not have the student's best interests at heart. On the small

(French), provide a living environment where students can immerse themselves in a language and culture. Residents of the language houses strongly denounce the transition to residence halls.

Senior Erin Fitzgerald, a resident of Brent House, is worried that the historical significance and unique attributes of special interest houses for Mary Washington College are being ignored.

"I feel that there are these new administrators moving in here and getting rid of old traditions. It seems they don't have the same respect [for the traditions] which takes away a lot of the character that makes this school unique," said Fitzgerald.

The foreign language houses, Fairfax (Spanish), Tyler (German) and Brent

(French), provide a living environment where students can immerse themselves in a language and culture. Residents of the language houses strongly denounce the transition to residence halls. Eilaris Zambrana, a resident assistant in Fairfax, feels that a floor of a residence hall is not conducive to language immersion.

"I think people are going to be more shy in speaking the language. The activities of a house require you to use more vocabulary. We can hold our hall council meetings in Spanish, but that won't work in a dorm," she said.

Fitzgerald believes a language floor will not capture the French culture as it is experienced in the Brent House.

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Seventh Annual Step Show!!



Courtesy of Multicultural Center

On Feb. 15, Black Men of a New Direction and Women of Color will sponsor a step show (above) in George Washington Hall, Dodd Auditorium at 6 p.m. Tickets are five dollars at the door. There will also be an After Party Jam in the Underground from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Chris Warren and Lisa Patillo enjoyed last years After Party (left).



Jenny Schwartz poses outside of Marye Hall, a women's leadership house.

Police Beat

By Chevonne Bray
Bullet Staff Writer

LARCENY

On Feb. 7, a portable radio was stolen from the Physical Plant. The item was valued at \$470.

On Feb. 7, some money was stolen from Bushnell Hall.

MISC

On Feb. 7, an intoxicated student in the Woodard Campus Center was admitted into the Night Haven program for the remainder of the evening.

On Feb. 12, there was a fire alarm in New Hall. It was caused by the manual activation of a fire alarm pull station.

On Feb. 11, there was a fire alarm in Jefferson Hall. It was caused by steam from a bathroom shower.

On Feb. 10, a student received some threatening messages on her voicemail. The situation is under investigation.

On Feb. 10, there was a fire alarm in Jefferson Hall. It was caused by burnt food.

On Feb. 10, there was an automobile accident behind Woodard Campus Center. A student vehicle and a state

vehicle were involved. The student was charged for the accident.

VANDALISM

On Feb. 7, a room door was vandalized in the Woodard Campus Center. The lock was stolen as well.

On Feb. 10, there was a report of vandalism in Russell Hall.

ILLNESS/INJURIES

On Feb. 7, a student suffering from an asthma attack in Trinkle Hall was treated by the rescue squad. The student was helped home by a friend.

On Feb. 7, there was an emergency illness in New Hall. The student was taken to the hospital by the rescue squad.

On Feb. 11, a student became dizzy in Chandler Hall. The rescue squad responded but the student refused treatment.

DUI/DIP

On Feb. 7, Rabeeha Ghaffar of Fredericksburg was arrested for a DUI after a single-car accident behind Monroe Hall. Both Ghaffar and her passenger were injured and taken to the hospital.

WANTED PERSON



SUSPECT:
Race Hispanic
Sex Male
Age 18/20
Height 5'7"
Weight 150
Build Medium
Eyes Dark
Hair Black
Marks Unknown

VEHICLE:
Make Unknown
Model Unknown
Year 80/90
Color Red
Style Sports
Marks Unknown

OFFENSE:
Type Indecent Exposure
Case # 97-1189
Date 01/27/97
Time 0847
Location: Area of Seacobek Hall near the bridge.

Date Constructed: 01/27/97

Remarks: Suspect was seen in the area of Seacobek Hall near the bridge. Suspect had his pants down around his ankles and was masterbating. Suspect was last seen wearing a oversized military green coat that hung down to about his knees. Suspect last seen running in the direction of College Ave. near the Seacobek parking lot. Was believed to have left in a red car. Any information regarding this incident please contact the Mary Washington College Police. Cpl. H. Ray Acors, Sr. 654-1642

Contact: MARY WASHINGTON COLLEGE POLICE DEPT. (540) 654-1025

News Briefs

CAMPUS ACTIVITIES

*The Aubade, Mary Washington College's review of arts and literature, is currently accepting art and literature submissions for the 1997 edition. A cover sheet containing artist/author's name, the title, the genre/medium, and a mailbox number should accompany all submissions. All entries are due by April 1 to Box 604. Questions? Call Sara at x3873.

*The Student Government Association has open executive cabinet positions. The positions available are as follows: president, vice-president, judicial review board president, honor council president, commuting student president, and legislative action committee chair person. Non-executive positions are available for judicial review board and vice president. All interested candidates must attend one of the workshops on Monday, Feb. 17 at 9 p.m. or Tuesday, Feb. 18 at 9 p.m. in the Campus Center board room. All candidates will be nominated by a senator in the senate meeting Wednesday, Feb. 19 at 5 p.m. in Monroe 104.

*Student Government Association Executive Cabinet Elections will be held on Feb. 26. Voting for commuting students will take place in the Campus Center from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. On-campus students can vote from 7 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. in their residence halls.

*1997-98 Financial Aid Packets should be picked up by students who are seeking financial aid for the next academic year. They can be found in the following locations: the financial aid office, the Multicultural Center, the BLS office, the information desk in Woodard Campus Center, and the Dome Room in Seacobek Hall.

*The Virginia Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators Scholarship Program will award two annual \$500 scholarships, with preference given to students majoring in criminal justice, and having demonstrated financial need. The student should have a 2.5 grade point average. Applications may be obtained from the financial aid office in Lee Hall, room 301. The deadline is April 1.

*Mary Washington College is seeking entertainers with an ethnic emphasis to perform in the April 5 Multicultural Fair. Contact Forrest Parker at (540) 654-1044 for information.

*The opening reception for the Senior Studio Art Exhibition will be held on Thursday, Feb. 27 from 5-7 p.m. The exhibit will be on display in Dupont Gallery from Feb. 27-March 7. Visitors can view works by Matthew Conway, Melanie Litchfield, Pamela Rinehart, Carrie Sellers and Chappell Tyler.

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evening. I think that having this on campus has kept a tragedy like this from happening earlier," said Trombetta. "Face it, if this doesn't go on in the Eagles Nest everyone will just go to George Street or some other bar. It would be a real shame if administration cut this off. There are so few traditions on campus. It would be tragic if we lost this evening."

Chirico said that the administration will look at the logistics of an evening that is so centered around drinking.

"Even though it's tradition, we will have to look at this again. I want to evaluate this and where it is going to go," Chirico said.

While Chirico acknowledges that the accident may not be an actual meeting of the Eagles Nest event, he believes that the idea of a "100th Night" causes students to party harder than normal.

"I fear the drinking takes place beforehand more so than at the Nest," Chirico said.

Both Chirico and Class Council plan to discuss options about the future of the class night celebrations.

"I don't know how you make people become more responsible. I'm willing to entertain suggestions. I want to hear what people have to say about what they can do to be responsible for their behavior, and for their friends' behavior," said Chirico.

While students wonder what the fate of 100th Night celebrations will be, Class Council will be searching for a compromise between the administration and the student body.

"The responsibility on evenings like this lies primarily with the individual. I'm not sure what else we can do to show people that they have to look out for themselves. We offer more of a support network than any bar would," said Clint McCarthy, junior Class Council representative and co-chair of the 100th Night event.

A meeting between Class Council and Chirico to discuss options regarding the celebrations is scheduled for next week.



Framar, which is a special interest house set aside for qualified students in the areas of scholarship, leadership and service, will remain specialized for residential living, but with more variety. Chirico hopes to have residents with interests that cut across the disciplines. He also would like to get more faculty involved.

"The college mission is globalization and if we can get a group to represent that, then we can start attracting faculty to help students get new programs going on campus," Chirico said.

One requirement for living in Framar will be nomination by a faculty member.

Stephanie O'Connor, a senior and resident of Framar, appreciates the homelike environment of Framar, yet is open minded toward Chirico's proposal.

"It's a unique living environment. There's a different feeling from the moment you walk in the door," O'Connor said. "We're kidding ourselves, though, if we don't say that we can be leaders just the same on a floor."

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OPINIONS

Replacing Our Own

One of Mary Washington's greatest assets is the number of leadership opportunities that are available to students. With over 80 clubs and organizations, it is easy to get involved.

Unfortunately, next year the leadership opportunity in Residence Life will decrease due to fact that the office plans to hire three graduate students to replace six MWC Head Residents.

Why would Residence Life consider going elsewhere to find people to fill the positions when the college already has plenty of dedicated students who can do the job? It is a shame that six students will be denied the opportunity of having a Head Resident position. What is even worse is the fact that they will be replaced by someone who does not even take classes here.

A person who is attending a *different* school cannot possibly be as knowledgeable of the way Mary Washington operates. MWC students live, breathe, eat and sleep this institution. Students are the perfect candidates for the Head Resident position. Graduate students will not be able to assist residents if they do not understand the nuts and bolts about MWC.

It may appear that hiring the graduate students will add an element of diversity to the Residence Life. But the students of Mary Washington are already unique and should not be replaced.

An Alternative For Help

The Psychological Services Center is broadening its horizons this semester by offering a variety of workshops. The workshops will cover a range of different topics, including eating disorders and anxiety.

The workshops are effective for a number of reasons. Even though students may recognize that she has a problem, she may be embarrassed to go to the center and ask for personal help.

By attending a workshop with a larger group, a student can get the information she needs without actually having to tell anyone that she has a problem. This may be a less stressful environment than having to discuss problems one-on-one.

The topics being presented in the workshop are also very appropriate to college students. The "freshman 15" may lead to eating disorders in some, and it is imperative that students are aware of the dangers involved with the disorder.

By holding the workshops, Psychological Services is also getting its name out there. Many students may not even realize that the center is there a resource. Alerting students to their different options is essential when issues of mental health are concerned.

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Don't Mistreat Our Furry Counterparts

Supremacy Towards Animals Is As Wrong As Sexism Or Racism

By Brenda Reader
Guest Columnist

Readers let me ask you a question: What does racism, sexism, and speciesism have in common? Before you answer this question you may be asking yourself what exactly is speciesism.

Speciesism is the act of withholding natural rights from nonhuman animals.

For example, the right to be free from cruelty, harm, abuse, and exploitation which is imposed upon animals by our human species, which with their factory farming, animal experimentation, dissection, and vivisection are torturing the earth's animals.

Funny thing is, most people don't even consider these things as morally wrong. This could be because they are either uninformed, or that they just don't want to face up to a moral obligation to be compassionate and respectful for those beautiful creatures which inhabit our earth, for they rather stew

in their own juices of ignorance and denial.

Animals, yes even the ever so lovable kittens and puppies, are forced to participate in excruciatingly painful and

standing up for their rights, and escaping their predators, namely humans.

They are not able to speak our language, yet it has been scientifically proven they understand us through touch, tone of voice and other

thought renders the animals helpless in defending themselves.

Does this sound fair? Of course not! Especially not to any human with a conscience, who also has the slightest clue of morals and ethics, right and wrong.

Then we come to the factory farming industry, in which allow deplorable conditions to exist. In turn, the consumers are usually unaware of the overall treatment of animals before they support the imposed cruelty on animals by purchasing the factory farm's products.

In so many areas of universal or civilized societies, animal abuse, mistreatment and murder is occurring and believe it or not, the only way to end it is for you yourself to face up and take a stand.

It is best said by Sri Aurobindo a poet and philosopher that, "Life is Life—whether in a cat, or a dog, or a man. There is no difference between a cat or a man. The idea of difference is a human conception for man's own advantage."

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Cartoon by Dave McKim

Letters to the Editor

Insulting Comment Angers Professor

Editor:

As a new faculty member last year, I quickly became aware of Zak Billmeier's hand in more than one foolishly stated, but nonetheless insulting, assertions in the Bullet.

I was new, so I stood back, aghast with what he felt entitled (although uninformed) to say, but I was glad to see many members of our community take issue with his issues. For example, his off-the-cuff and inaccurate (as pointed out by Chris Kilmartin) remarks about the efficacy of wearing ribbons for a cause.

I was further calmed when Mr. Billmeier checked his insulting bravado at the door to the open discussion of the Million Man March, where he found himself in a room with perhaps more African-Americans than he found comfortable. By that point, I had figured that he had learned to think before pontificating about issues he had not carefully considered.

It was to my shock (but not to my surprise) to read the Feb. 6 installment of the "Smoking Gun" (a column that Billmeier co-writes), and read an off-hand comment about the Washington Bullets: "...it would appear that les Boulez (that's Bullets in Ebionics)." It is clear that his juxtaposition of a tongue-in-cheek reference to French and a lighthearted reference to the very hot issue of Ebionics was meant in jest, but when Mr. Billmeier (and Brian Schumacher, for whom Mr. Billmeier should be responsible as a co-worker) learn that some issues are too sensitive for poking fun,

Mr. Billmeier might respond by asserting that, hey, I'm not knocking Ebionics one way or another, I'm knocking the Bullets, but, in any context, it is not acceptable to use in jest an issue that holds the consideration of a great many people, in this case African-Americans, in very serious regard.

It's akin to using a Pollack joke to make fun of a friend.

Mr. Billmeier, the Washington Bullets have enough sorrows of their own; African-Americans have enough intolerance and ignorance to face every day; and you should be intelligent enough to come up with better wisecracks than those which produce laughs at the expense of an issue that is most sensitive for a

significant number of people.

William Henry Lewis
assistant professor of English

Backing Up A Thumbs Down

Editor:

As a resident of Madison Hall, I feel it is necessary to explain to Ms. Beckman and the rest of the service-learning community why the Bullet and a good portion of its readership have given the proposed special-interest floor a thumbs-down rating.

Imagine, if you will, the situation a resident of Madison not participating in the service-learning program will be confronted with. One, probably two entire floors of the building will already know each other and formed a social circle through their activities.

In any other hall, at the beginning of the year few people know each other, so theoretically each other, so theoretically each other, so many social groups can form, but in Madison the groups will already be predetermined.

This situation can only be counterproductive to the formation of any cohesive sense of community.

Should the special-interest section be expanded to two floors, as suggested in the memo received by Madison residents, this division could easily extend to a domination of Hall Council and Senate elections by the service-learners.

This is only natural, for people tend to vote for their friends. With the service-learning community already a firmly-established group, however, the opportunities for the rest of the hall become limited.

Ms. Beckman takes great pains to explain how the service-learning floors will not be segregated from the rest of the student body." It is not their isolation that is of concern, rather it is that of the rest of the hall.

As a former member of Circle K, I am aware and fully supportive of the contributions made by the various community service groups on campus. What I cannot support, however, is the division of such a small residence hall into distinct groups.

If the formation of a service-learning floor is so vital to the growth of the MWC student body, I suggest it be located in a larger building, so that it can be one voice

sensory factors. They basically have a language barrier and no opposing thumb, and so to some, those factors give humans a right to be superior to animals, and in turn, this way of



ONE OF THE WORLD'S GREATEST FILMMAKERS HAS AGREED TO CONSIDER TO READ THE WORKING SCRIPT FOR "LOUNGE LIZARD: THE MOVIE" DUE OUT SUMMER 2000

Raiders Of The Lost Lounge

Cartoon by Dave McKim

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Letters should be no more than 250 words and columns no more than 750 words, typed, double-spaced. All letters and columns are subject to editing for length and clarity, as well as determining which letters and columns will run in the newspaper. The deadline for letters and columns is Monday at 5 p.m.

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All letters and columns can be mailed to the Bullet at Box 604, 1301 College Avenue, Fredericksburg, VA, 22401-4666 or delivered to our office in the Woodard Campus Center.

If you have any questions, call Zak Billmeier, Rob Thormeyer or Wendi Davis at 554-1133.

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FEATURES



Karen Pearlman/Bullet

Going Out With A Bang

Seniors Robin Harris (left) and Stephen Malleck celebrate in the Eagles Nest as they begin the countdown of the last 100 days until graduation.

Psychological Services Saves Students' Sanity

By Kara Eller
Bullet Staff Writer

Grief and loss, stress and anxiety, body image and fitness are just a few of the issues that many college students face. Yet due to new workshops offered by the Psychological Services Center, students will no longer have to deal with these issues alone.

According to Barbara Wagar, director of Psychological Services, this new set of workshops is the largest that has been offered in quite some time.

"The purpose is to provide students with access information and resources that they might not seek on their own," Wagar said.

Workshops in the past have focused mainly on stress and time management, whereas this semester the workshops will cover a wide range of topics, such as eating disorders and building healthy relationships.

Sophomore Becky Sabatos attended the workshop concerning relationships on Feb. 10, which she first heard about through a campus-wide advertisement on e-mail.

"I thought it was a really good idea. It doesn't take much time and it's an important subject to talk about," Sabatos said. Most of the workshops only run an hour long.

Approximately 17 other students attended this workshop, which was facilitated by Jan Altman, psychologist. Altman has been with the center since the beginning of 1996 and began working full time in August of the same year.

"I have enjoyed [working at MWC] very much. I love working with college students, that's where I

want to be," she said.

Altman said she felt that relationships are an essential topic and worthy of a workshop.

"Everything comes down to relationships," she said. "We are all social beings, and most of our stress is caused by our relationships with one another."

Altman said she views relationships as a starting point for dealing with other issues that often plague students. Her workshop gave students a chance

to talk openly about the positive aspects and problems in the relationships in which they were involved. Relationships are not the only topic that Psychological Services will cover with their workshops. Some upcoming workshop topics include a two-part presentation on eating disorders, held on Feb. 13 and Feb. 20, body images on Feb. 27 and fitness on Mar. 6. All four of these workshops will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Virginia Hall Parlor.

In addition, a workshop on the emotional and physical aspects of gymnastics and figure skating will be held on Mar. 2 in the Virginia Parlor beginning at 7 p.m. A workshop on stress and anxiety will be held on Mar. 20 at 6 p.m. in Lee Hall, room 100.

Dana Hall, associate professor of health and physical education, presented a workshop on Jan. 30 which helped teach students how to eat healthy in Seacocke Hall. Hall discussed went meal by meal as she gave advice about eating habits to approximately 14 students. She even included information for vegetarians and vegans.

"Psychological Services is a very beneficial aspect of our campus," [Hall] did an excellent job," Wagar said.



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Barbara Wagar, director of Psychological Services

Wagar will present the two-part workshop on eating disorders, held on Feb. 13 and Feb. 20. She said she feels the presence of eating disorders on campus is an issue that needs to be addressed.

"Eating disorders are an ever-present problem on campus," Wagar said. "Not everyone with this problem is willing to come in for counseling. The workshop is to share information and resources with the students about body image and the cultural impacts of eating disorders."

The first part of the presentation involves learning about eating disorders through the eyes of people who have them. Nancy Yeatts, associate director of the health center, plans to discuss the medical risks that are involved.

"It is important to not just talk about eating disorders as eating disorders but also the sociological influences that affect how we eat, what we eat and how we view ourselves, not only body image but our self-esteem," Wagar said.

The second part of Wagar's presentation will deal with when outsiders should intervene when we suspect someone has an eating disorder since so many people are reluctant to seek treatment for themselves.

The follow-up workshop to the two on eating disorders, to be held on Mar. 2, will focus on the pressures of being a gymnast or a figure skater. According to Wagar, the presentation will be a film followed by a discussion period.

John MacDonald, director of campus recreation, will help present by telling students how to set realistic goals for exercise and nutritional plans, and to cast physical fitness in a positive light.

Junior Alison Breland said she is looking forward to the workshops and is confident that they can make a difference.

"Psychological Services is a very beneficial aspect of our campus,"

Grad Students To Replace Head Residents Next Fall

By Christopher Van Horn
Bullet Staff Writer

The number of student Head Residents in residence halls will decrease by six next year as the Office of Residence Life plans to institute a new program. Residence Life aims to replace the six student positions by hiring three graduate students.

According to Jacki Nicol Donaldson, associate director of Residence Life, the college can provide great opportunities for the graduate students, who are scheduled to be hired by the fall of 1997.

"The discussion about the position started because we would like to give graduate students in student affairs an opportunity to experience Mary Washington College. This college has a lot to offer, it has a student population, a size, and a feel that a lot of graduate students would like to experience," she said.

The Graduate Resident Director will have all the duties of a Head Resident as well as some additional responsibilities. The hired three will work with other departments on campus such as Psychological Services, COAR, Campus Recreation, the Health Center and Physical Plant. They will also be handling the disciplinary actions in the residence hall, something that Head Residents do not have to deal with.

"I think the main differences between having a student Head Resident and a Graduate Resident Director would be that the GRD would have more training responsibilities in student discipline which a Head Resident doesn't," Donaldson said.

"An advantage is that the graduate student would have more training specific to what's going to go on in that hall because they take classes on how to, for example, council students, whereas with Head Residents, we bring them here in August for a week and say this is how you do it," she added.

Donaldson cited the elimination of the six Head Resident positions as a drawback.

"Disadvantages are that there are fewer Head Residents. There are not as many opportunities for students on campus as Head Residents," she said.

Junior Beth Moss, who was selected to serve as one of the remaining 11 Head Residents for next year, said she is disappointed that not as many students will be given the chance for the position.

"I think a lot of people like the opportunity to become a Head Resident and furthering their leadership, and I feel bad for people who have lost this opportunity," Moss said.

The graduate students will be living in the residence halls and acting as a Head Resident while they attend graduate school elsewhere. It is important to Residence Life that the graduate students live on campus as opposed to commuting, Donaldson said.

"They are actually living the experience, exactly what a Head Resident does now, along with putting them in direct contact with residents and resident assistants," she said.

Since the graduate resident directors will be taking classes at other institutions, they will not be on campus all the time. Yet Donaldson said she does not think this will pose much of a problem.

"Because they are students they will have to take classes at their college and work here at the same time. However, many institutions have graduate classes on one day and will work here the rest of the week," she said.

Some students have reservations about whether or not the commute will make the job tougher for a graduate student than an undergraduate at Mary Washington.

Senior Leslie Houts, current head resident of Bushnell Hall, said she is concerned about the graduate students

understanding the way Mary Washington operates, since they will not be here as much.

"I think it might be detrimental for students because they might be turning to someone who doesn't know the school as well as a student or an assistant director who is here all the time," Houts said.

Moss added, "I am just concerned if they will have enough time to dedicate to the Head Resident position with the commuting that they will do."

Alvey, Ball, and Virginia Hall have been selected to house the Graduate Resident Directors.

The first Graduate Resident Director will be in charge of supervising Alvey and New Hall, which are currently in an area including Willard and Mercer Hall. Since this is the most largely populated area, Residence Life is aiming to break up the section. Virginia Hall was chosen to house the second graduate student due to its crisis issues.

The third graduate student will supervise Ball Hall along with Madison and Custis Halls, since these two buildings are smaller. Residence Life prefers to have a graduate student involved with Madison since it is the home to Night Haven and is the future location for MWC's new service learning halls.

Julie Ciccarone, assistant director of Residence Life, said pairing these three together is a good idea because Madison and Custis are such small residence halls.

"I think because those buildings are fairly small and have such a small staff that right now some of the Head Residents aren't getting the experience that they could be. So I think combining them is good."

Ciccarone added that bringing in graduate students will benefit many people associated with Residence Life.

"I like the idea of having graduate students because they are going to be able to have some auxiliary duties that will free me up to do some other things to benefit the residents," Ciccarone said. "I also feel that the Head Residents are under a lot of pressure, too much pressure for a student, graduate students will help."

Donaldson said she hopes hiring the graduate students will add to diversity of the Residence Life staff.

"Overall the Office of Residence Life is becoming more diversified in all aspects one being staffing, such as the scholar in residence and graduate students, with someone other than the traditional residence life personnel living in the residence halls."

The Office of Residence Life has already begun its search for the new employees. Already announcements have been posted on the Internet.

"I have called different institutions and talked to people in the graduate student program," Donaldson said. "I have talked to University of Maryland and James Madison University. A few of us are going to a professional conference in March and post the position there. We will have a box and students from all over the country will put cards in if they want an interview for the position."

Moss said she is a bit concerned about how the graduate students will adjust when they arrive next fall.

"I think the program sounds really good but I think that it will be hard for them as a head resident to get adapted to our community," she said.

According to Donaldson, Residence Life is planning to introduce the program as a permanent change.

"This year will be the pilot study, with the hopes of continuing it. I wouldn't imagine we will get rid of it after next year. I am positive and confident that it will work, it will just be a work in progress to see how far it will go," she said.



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Junior Dow Stick in the bathroom of the apartment she uses as Head Resident, which will house a graduate student in the fall of 1997.

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Pastor Holds Office Hours At Fountain

By Eric Rodman
Bullet Staff Writer

We have all seen her, sitting next to a yellow cooler by the fountain. She is often surrounded by students and faculty as well as soft brown teddy bear named Bob that Pastor Daphne Burt-Carbaugh calls her "pastoral assistant."

Burt-Carbaugh, the presiding pastor of the Campus Christian Community, serves free lemonade or hot chocolate, depending on the weather, to the Mary Washington community.

"We call this Mission Outpost," said Burt-Carbaugh, who is affectionately referred to as PD. "I believe campus ministry should come to the students. This way I don't have to ask them to come to me."

Burt-Carbaugh refers to her time by the fountain as her "offices hours." One can find her there every Thursday, no matter what the weather, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

This will be Burt-Carbaugh's third year of handing out free drinks from her cooler.

"When people ask me why I give it away for free, I tell them God loves us for free," she said.

"The fountain is a place for free discussion, as well as meeting new people. I make a point to be very inclusive of all people," Burt-Carbaugh said.

Her desire to expand her audience has led Burt-Carbaugh to expand on her technique on reaching people. She now has her own radio spot on WMWC which airs every Friday from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.

"From fountain to radio, I'm hoping this will be another great way to reach out to the campus," she said.

Burt-Carbaugh hopes music can have as big an impact as her beverages do.

"I want to play music as well as preach, and have a theme for each

show. I'll play Christian music and other types," she said. "I also plan to interview Not By Chance, a band from Stafford County that plays at the Campus Christian Community."

Burt-Carbaugh's work with the media does not end at radio. She also has a contest on the Campus Christian Community's web site where she gives away free T-shirts to whoever can guess where in the Bible is the weekly posted verse located.

Students and faculty alike enjoy seeing Burt-Carbaugh's friendly face at the fountain.

Senior Mandy Smith simply said, "She is very cool."

Assistant Professor of Geography Donald Rallis is also a frequent visitor to the cooler.

"PD is always the cheerful and

friendly face of the Campus Christian Community," Rallis said. Rallis and Burt-Carbaugh have become close friends since he gave her a book of poetry by Desmond Tutu.

Burt-Carbaugh said she uses her time by the fountain to check up on everyone.

"Some come to say hello, some just wave," she said.

Junior Anne Valentine said she likes to visit Burt-Carbaugh's "pastoral assistant."

"I just came to see Bob," Valentine said. Bob was a present from Burt-Carbaugh's husband, also a pastor. The couple visits students in hospitals as an integral part of their ministry.

"People always ask me if I have a 'real church or congregation. I tell them, this is my church,'" she said.

Burt-Carbaugh shouts hello to every face she recognizes and offers hot chocolate to those who look cold. Her last remark in conversation is always the same.

"Come join us for dinner anytime."

THUMBS...

UP to Psychological Services for the variety of new workshops they are offering this semester.



DOWN to Valentine's Day because you are an overrated, commercialized excuse for more public displays of affection.



UP to the recent improvement seen in the women's basketball team.



DOWN to the elimination of the special interest houses. Administrators are once again chipping away at another unique aspect of Mary Washington.



UP to the new Eagles Nest water cups. They make good shot glasses.



DOWN to the 13th issue of the Bullet coming out on the 13th of February.



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Breland said, "They have helped many people in the past and the workshops are sure to be a success."

According to Wagar, students are encouraged to take advantage of these workshops. Wagar stressed the idea that students do not always go after information on their own. She said she hopes students will take advantage of the resource if it is presented to them.

Wagar said the center is open to suggestions for workshop topics. Becky Sabatos said she would like to see a presentation involving gender-related issues, such as a larger focus on the relationships between men and women.

"I would definitely be interested in attending more of these type of workshops," Sabatos said.

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Hey, Intramural Sports Fans!

The Features Section plans to start an intramural player of the week contest in next week's issue of the Bullet. Anyone who knows anything about intramurals is free to make a nomination. Call Jenine at x1133 with the name of the person who you think deserves next week's title. Nominees can't mind if we take their picture!

SPORTS

Sports Briefs

Bullet Player of the Week

Andrea Sellers
Women's Basketball

Sellers, a sophomore guard, came up big this week as the MWC women's team reached .500 in the CAC for the first time this season. In a 78-49 win over Catholic she scored a team-high 22 points, and in a 71-52 win over St. Mary's, she scored 19 points and had a team high eight rebounds. For the season, she leads the team in scoring, steals, and assists.

Men's Basketball

CAC STANDINGS	W	L
Goucher	10	0
Salisbury St.	8	2
Mary Washington	7	3
Catholic	4	6
York College	4	6
Mountaintop	4	6
St. Mary's	3	7
Gallaudet	0	10

(Saturday's Box)

MWC 75, Frostburg State 62

Mary Wash.	FG	FT	Pt	A	Reb
Love	2-8	3-4	9	5	2
Burroughs	5-11	2-3	17	3	3
Kiedrow	1-2	0-1	2	1	1
McCarthy	3-11	8-8	14	7	6
Bunch	8-10	5-6	21	0	15
Zenker	3-5	4-4	10	0	7
Langan	1-1	0-0	2	0	1
TOTALS	23-48	22-26	75	16	38

York Coll.	FG	FT	Pt	A	Reb
Jones	.7-16	1-3	18	5	8
Sloan	3-12	0-0	8	0	3
Riggleman	3-11	2-3	9	3	7
Shaffer	3-11	0-0	7	3	5
Edwards	2-5	0-0	4	1	3
Farmer	7-9	2-2	16	0	4
Chavez	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
B. Edwards	0-0	0-0	0	0	1
TOTALS	25-64	5-8	62	15	30

HALF: Mary Washington 38-35. 3PT SHOOTING: MWC 7-20, 35% (Burroughs 5-10, Love 2-7, McCarthy 0-3). FROSTBURG ST. 7-22, 32% (Jones 3-7, Sloan 2-8, Riggleman 1-4, Shaffer 1-2, Edwards 0-1). FOULED OUT: None. TECHNICAL FOULS: None.

Top-Ten MWC Scorers (All-Time Men's Basketball)

- Buddy Hawley (1,934)
- Frank Gilmore (1,544)
- John Yurchak (1,302)
- Tim Money (1,219)
- Matt D'Ercole (1,211)
- Steve Posey (1,129)
- Richie Treger (1,099)
- Tony Farris (1,009)
- Justin McCarthy (1,001)**
- Matt Seward (966)

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York College	5	5
Mary Washington	5	5
St. Mary's	4	6
Catholic	1	9
Goucher	0	10

Upcoming Events

Women's Basketball

Feb. 15 at Salisbury State University, 7:30

Feb. 18 vs. Shenandoah University
at Goolrick Gym, 8 p.m.

Feb. 20 vs. Goucher College.
at Goolrick Gym, 8 p.m.

Men's Basketball

Feb. 15 at Salisbury State University, 5:30

Feb. 18 vs. Goucher College
at Goolrick Gym, 6 p.m.

Swimming

Feb. 14 CAC Championships at MWC

Indoor Track

Feb. 16 at Dickinson Invitational

Men's Basketball Ro-Ro-Rollin' On McCarthy Scores 1,000th as Eagles Forge Two More Wins

By Josh VanDyck
Bullet Assistant Sports Editor

In the midst of a weekend that produced two more gritty victories, the MWC men's basketball honored one of their own Saturday. Senior Justin McCarthy became the ninth Mary Washington player to score 1,000 career points with 14 in a 75-62 home win over Frostburg State.

"It felt really good," said McCarthy of the ceremony at midcourt. "I was happy to get it over with, to tell the truth. It was like a weight lifted off my shoulders."

The win over Frostburg followed a 64-50 MWC win over CAC rival St. Mary's on Friday night, a game Eagles' coach Rod Wood had described previously as a potential letdown game. Though the Seahawks came in unheralded and with a poor 3-13 record, they managed to stay with the Eagles for much of the night before collapsing at the end. The closeness of the game actually left the Eagles somewhat baffled.

"They played sloppy, and we played sloppily too, down at their level," said sophomore forward George Bunch. "We just didn't play to our potential for some unknown reason."

Led by Bunch's 11 points and 12 boards and McCarthy's 17 points, the Eagles overcame the Seahawks, who kept it close despite scoring just 13 first-half points. With point guard David Love still slowed by illness, the MWC bench also played a key role in the victory. Of particular importance were seldom-used reserves John Langan (6 points) and Joe Faccio (8 rebounds).

It was a similar story on Saturday against Frostburg State. The Eagles took command early, but the Bobcats battled back from an 11-point deficit to trail by just three at the half. Like St. Mary's, Frostburg stayed close with strong 3-point shooting, but finally fell to the Eagles clutch outside shooting and defense in the second half.

Bunch again led the way for the Eagles, scoring 16 points in a brilliant first half en route to a 21-point 15-rebound night. Sophomore guard Burt Burroughs also hurt the Bobcats, knocking down several big threes and finishing with 17 points. It was Bunch, however, who kept MWC out in front early on.

"I just worked as hard as I always do," he said of his big first half. "I was single covered, and that gave me more room to operate."

Understandably the Eagles were not entirely pleased with the two victories. MWC was unable to put either opponent away despite taking early leads, allowing St. Mary's and Frostburg to remain dangerously close. With several key CAC games on the horizon, the Eagles are looking to play more complete games.

"Against St. Mary's, we came out really flat in the first half, and then the same thing happened against Frostburg," said McCarthy. "We've been following that trend for the last four or five games now. But if we play well the entire game, we can blow people out."

The win over St. Mary's leaves the Eagles at 7-3 in the CAC (12-6 overall), just one game behind second-place Salisbury State. The Eagles will travel to meet the Sea Gulls in a conference

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Karen Pearlman

Andrea Sellers eludes St. Mary's defense in Friday's 71-52 win.

Women's Hoops Breaks Even in CAC

By Jason Schultz
Bullet Staff Writer

After a rough first half that left them well below .500 for the season, the women's basketball team said they were sick and tired of losing. Now they held their opponents to 22 points.

This seemed to be the team consensus as to the real difference from the last few games and the beginning of the season: improved defensive performance based partly on their new defensive weapon, the 3-2 zone.

Sophomore forward Minna Karousos said of the St. Mary's game,

"We played a 3-2 zone mostly, and we frustrated them. We didn't let them do what they wanted to do."

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Senior Justin McCarthy (22) scores on St. Mary's in Friday action. He became the ninth MWC player to score 1,000 points on Saturday.

Not Just a Game, But an Obsession Intramurals In Full Swing

By Annie Wise
Bullet Staff Writer

To find some of life's finest things, you often don't have to leave your own backyard. For many MWC students, the Campus Recreation intramural program offers organized athletic competition with all the comforts of home.

"This is a great opportunity for all students to meet, to mingle, and to do something athletic in a social environment," said Mike Prensky, one of four Campus Recreation Program Supervisors. "A lot of people can come support their fellow classmates, because not everybody can play varsity sports."

For the game. According to Prensky, basketball is the most popular spring sport, while soccer dominates the fall semester.

"In the fall we have soccer, which is a big draw. A lot of people play soccer in high school and still want to play," he said.

With multiple skill levels, ranging from recreational to highly competitive, intramurals offer students the chance to play the sports they grew up on. For the more adventurous athlete, however, Campus Recreation offers non-traditional sports such as inner-tube water polo, a sport which caught the eye of sophomore Jessica Neils.

"Tara Hogan and I found the flyer one day and it looked interesting," said Neils. "We both enjoy water sports, and I had played polo, so we decided to try it."

Surprisingly, Neils and Hogan had a fairly easy time finding enough people to make a team.

"We just scrounged up some people in the dorm," Neils said.

According to Prensky, water polo isn't the only activity planned for Goolrick pool.

"We have this semester's 'Pool 'n a Movie,'" he said. "We've got the pool, and we're giving the students inner tubes, and we went and got a huge movie screen where we're going to show *Jaws* or *The Abyss* or some other aquatic movie."

Although the intramural program seems very popular among MWC students, one facet of the program has yet to reach its full potential—the male to female ratio.

"In general, there are more males who compete, and that's one of our major concerns," said Prensky. To combat this problem, Campus Recreation Director John McDonald travels to both Ball and Virginia Halls to inform the residents of upcoming events.

"It is something we are aware of and something we are trying to alleviate," added Prensky.

Regardless of its few problems, though, the intramural program is a definite success, as MWC students seem to love the competition and the fun. And, as sophomore Mike Trivett says:

"It's all about the t-shirts."

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By Zak Billmeier & Brian Schumacher

1. The Bullets (again)

Once again the Bullets have found their way into our column. With a few more losses and perhaps a positive drug test or two, the Bullets could give Michael Irvin a run at the most prominent visitor to the column.

Anyway, after half a season of underachieving, the Bullets decided to fire coach Jim Lynam and hope that the change can spark the team the rest of the way. The Gun has no problem with Lynam getting the axe. The team, despite loads of talent, was mediocre at best and needed a change. But please, Bernie Bickerstaff?

In an ongoing attempt to link the team with its successful past, the team hired Bickerstaff, who was an assistant coach with the team when they were not the laughing stock of the league (sometime during the Coolidge administration, we think). First team owner Abe Pollin hired Wes Unseld as general manager, despite the fact that he was unqualified and has no eye for talent whatsoever (remember LaBradford Smith?)

Now they have hired Bickerstaff, who has had two rather unsuccessful stints as head coach of the Seattle SuperSonics and the Denver Nuggets. No Bickerstaff team has ever finished higher than third in their division, he coached a talented Seattle team to mediocrity, and then turned a solid Denver team into one of the worst in the league as coach and then G.M.

There were plenty of other good candidates out there — Dennis Johnson (Celtics assistant coach), and

Bob Hill (former Spurs coach) to name a few. So the question remains, why hire a washed up old man who has never been that successful to begin with? What's worse, if the Bullets still look like a CBA team after Bickerstaff has been at the helm for a while, there probably won't be any shake-up in the team's management. The old-boy network is firmly in place. Abe has his buddy as G.M., who has his buddy as the coach. Gee, can you tell that this is a team from D.C.?

2. Oliver McCall

If you didn't see it, Oliver McCall was fighting Lennox Lewis for the heavyweight title when he suddenly stopped fighting at the end of the fourth round. When he still refused to fight at the beginning of the fifth, the fight was stopped and Lewis was declared the champion. McCall was visibly crying as he wandered aimlessly around the ring. McCall has had a history of mental and drug problems, although he tested clean for the fight.

Keith Olbermann of ESPN said that McCall's \$3 million dollar purse was "getting in touch with his inner child." Whatever the case, this has to be one of the strangest things that has happened in sports in some time.

The really strange thing here is that McCall's \$3 million dollar purse is being withheld pending an investigation. The contention is that he failed to fulfill his contract by refusing to fight. McCall's people

say that he was baiting Lewis, that his walking with his gloves down and his crying were a fighting tactic. Uh...

So what would we really like to know is why didn't they suspend payment to Bruce Seldon after he took a dive after a fake punch by Mike Tyson last year? Is Seldon a better actor than McCall? Maybe he took acting lessons in prison. We don't know. Boxing becomes as real as the WWF these days.

3. David Wells

Remember him, Orioles fans? He's that fat bastard that looks like a truck driver who can chuck a 95-mile per hour strike that signed with the Yankees during the off-season. Recently, Wells has said that he'd like to wear No. 3 for his new team.

Now for all of you who grew up under a boulder in Colorado or anywhere else, we'll make it plain. That used to be Babe Ruth's number. Yeah, that Babe Ruth. The Babe Ruth. The number was retired in 1948. So no, David, you may not wear it. And why the hell would you ask, anyway? The only two things you and I have in common is that you're both fat ex-Baltimoreans (or Baltimoreans, or Baltimoreites, or whatever). Blasphemy!

Well, David had anticipated the possibility of resistance from the New York Yankees toward his request to retire Babe Ruth's number, so he has decided to ask Charlie Hayes for his number, No. 33. That's "so I can be Babe Ruth two times over," Wells said.

Oh, my God. The Apocalypse really is upon us this time. Get under a table and cover your head.

4. The ESPYS

Pretty good, except for Jeff Foxworthy, who went down like a lead balloon. Of course, that's what Keith Moon said about Led Zeppelin. Well, we're not comparing Jeff Foxworthy to Led Zeppelin. Or Keith Moon. Aw, forget it.

5. Stay in school, kids

A big thumbs up to Alex Inge for passing on the riches of the NBA draft and returning to school for his senior year (just like his buddy, Tim Duncan). We can only hope that Bily Prout follows in his footsteps.

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B.S. (Bullet Staff) Sports Polls

NBA Hoops

1. Chicago (59)
2. Houston (45)
3. LA Lakers (42)
4. Detroit (39)
5. Seattle (38)
6. Miami (33)
7. New York (29)
8. Utah (22)
9. Atlanta (11)
10. Charlotte (7)

NCAA Hoops

1. Kansas (57)
2. Wake Forest (57)
3. Kentucky (44)
4. Minnesota (35)
5. Maryland (34)
6. Cincinnati (24)
7. Utah (18)
8. Iowa St. (17)
9. New Mexico (15)
10. MWC (3)

Hockey

1. Danny Wuerffel
2. WOJO
3. Oliver McCullough
4. Booby Knight
5. Michael Jordan
6. Kerri Strug
7. Dennis Rodman
8. Ricky Watters
9. Ulf Samuelsson
10. Jim Leyritz

This week's contributors to the B.S. Poll were: Brian Schumacher (Editor), Josh VanDyck (Asst. Editor), Aaron Isaacson (Staff Writer), Malcolm McKay, Dave Szegda, Steven Stoots, and Bullet Hockey Expert Jenine Zimmers.

The honorable mentions for the top 10 athletes who need a beating include:

Tomas Muster, Dot Richardson, Tom Lehman, Chipper Jones, Clubber Lang, Pat Riley, Mark Messier and the rest of the Rangers.

Would you like to be a B.S. pollster? If so, just talk to Josh or Brian on campus (we probably won't bite, or anything), or call the Sports Desk at 654-1133.

WOMEN

half we played that defense about as good as I've ever seen it before."

Part of that defensive intensity seems to have originated from a mental desire for revenge. The Eagles had a bit of a chip on their shoulder coming into this game. St. Mary's won by 31 points in the previous meeting, and the Eagles felt that their performance had not been representative of their real abilities.

"We hadn't lost to them in a long time, so we took them lightly and they killed us," said Barnes. "We couldn't hit water if we fell out of a boat that night. We definitely wanted revenge for that this time."

Karousos added that, "I'm sure they came in thinking we were soft after the last game, but we set them straight."

The St. Mary's win was huge for the Eagles, as it was a conference game. Beating 17-2 Frostburg would have boosted their standing even more, and they could have won but for a few key turnovers at the end.

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halftime, the Eagles had their deficit to within two with a minute to go, but Frostburg stole two passes and returned them for layups to seal the game.

Overall the team had 23 turnovers in the game to only 15 assists, something which Gallahan said was

clearly what cost them the game.

"If we could have eliminated

some turnovers, we'd be in the win

column right now," she said.

Another factor in the loss Gallahan identified was the guard play of Frostburg, particularly Kara Reed, who turned in a triple double with 20 points, 10 rebounds and 12 assists.

"They've probably got the best backcourt we've ever played against. We switched to the 3-2 zone about 10 minutes in to try and put some pressure on the ball, but they are just so quick, and they stepped up where the St. Mary's guards did not," Gallahan said.

Overall, according to junior forward Lindsay Stover, who was one of the three top scorers this weekend with 28 points, everything is looking positive now for the team. They are in the middle of the CAC pack with five very crucial games to go, including one Tuesday at Christopher Newport, which is also ranked in the top 10 in the region.

"This is finally the point where we got it into our heads that dangit, we don't wanna lose anymore, cause we know we're a good team."

Karousos agreed.

"We're a young team but we've learned a lot here lately. We've learned we're sick of losing."

Gallahan saw some definite possibilities now in front of the team.

"Christopher Newport averages about 90 points a game, so we've got our work cut out for us tonight, but I think we can really do some damage to them and maybe move into the top four in the conference standings," she said. "This team can make the adjustments well as long as we don't dig ourselves a big hole we can't recover from."

One major adjustment the team has already had to make involves the loss of two players recently. Senior Julie Harrison and sophomore Katie Russell both left the team earlier in the week before the two weekend games.

Neither Russell nor Gallahan would comment on the reason for the players departure, calling it "an internal team matter," but Barnes said, "Whichever their reasons for leaving, they are both tough losses and I love them both."

So Tuesday night the Eagles departed in a new direction. They still had signs of earlier turmoil including two empty slots on the team bus and a sub-500 record, but despite everything that has happened in their past, the team finally feels its head is on straight and that the team is headed in the right direction finally.

Where that direction winds up taking them will be decided in the next five games.

HOOPS

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showdown on Saturday night, seeking revenge for a 66-65 Salisbury win in January.

"That's a huge game," said McCarthy. "Everyone's up for it, and we should beat them. We lost by one last time, and we should have won that game."

As for McCarthy himself, scoring 1,000 points has been doubly special, as it comes on a winning team, something he never experienced in his first three years at Mary Washington.

"If we were losing, this wouldn't have felt nearly as good," he said. "Since we're winning, it's just that much better."

McCarthy's accomplishments are made even greater, said teammate Bunch, by the sacrifice he has made for the team this final year.

"He's been real unselfish this year," said Bunch. "He's our best offensive player, but he always spreads the ball around to his teammates. I was just glad to be on

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Spring Intramural Schedule

Sport	Entry Dates	Managers Meeting	Play Begins
Bench Press	Feb. 17 - 26	Mar. 1, 10 am	Mar. 1
Badminton	Feb. 17 - 26	Feb. 26, 6 pm	Mar. 1
Indoor Soccer	Mar. 3 - 19	Mar. 19, 6 pm	Mar. 22
Field Hockey	Mar. 17 - 26	Mar. 26, 6 pm	Mar. 29
Softball Tourney	Mar. 17 - 26	Mar. 26, 6:30	Apr. 5
Volleyball	Mar. 24 - Apr. 9	Apr. 9, 6 pm	Apr. 12
Tennis	Mar. 24 - Apr. 9	Apr. 9, 6:30	Apr. 12
Ultimate Frisbee	Apr. 7 - Apr. 16	Apr. 16, 6 pm	Apr. 19
Floor Hockey	Apr. 14 - 21	Apr. 21, 6 pm	Apr. 23



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ENTERTAINMENT

Swingin' with the Fredericksburg Big Band

By Caroline Weaver
Bullet Assistant Entertainment Editor

Instead of lying idly in bed nursing hangovers from the night before, several Mary Washington College students turned up at Dodd Auditorium at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 9 to hear the saucy sounds of the Fredericksburg Big Band. The bulk of the audience consisted of older members of the Fredericksburg community and a few families with kids in the under-5 set, but regardless of age, all had come to enjoy a free performance of some of the big band era's most swingin' tunes.

Those tunes included jazz standards and specialties like the Count Basie Orchestra's "Corner Pocket," "I'm Beginning to See the Light," co-written by Duke Ellington, and a version of Glenn Miller's "Transylvania 6-5000"—which the band custom-tailored, to the audience's delight, as "Spotsylvania 6-5000."

Local chanteuse Barbara Foden charmed concertgoers with sweet, stylized vocals on numbers such as "P.S. I Love You" and "My Heart Belongs to Daddy." Foden sang polite, standard versions of these songs with confidence but came nowhere near the character and verve of latter-day jazz crooners like Pearl Bailey or Billie Holiday. Let's be fair, though— who could?

However, where big band jazz is concerned, less of such genteel politesse is perhaps more, or so the adage goes. For that reason, the Fredericksburg Big Band shined brightest with its faster, vocal-less numbers—those raucous, rollicking tracks that coaxed toes to tap, fingers to snap and knees to jangle all over the place. It is unfortunate that Dodd is not designed to be dancer-friendly, but this fact did not prevent audience members, young and old, from "digging the scene."

"The [big band] era is still alive, if you note, because you're all here!" said "Dr. Daddy-O," a.k.a. Dr. Gano Evans, saxophonist and professor/chair of the MWC department of business administration, respectively. This proclamation was greeted with scattered cheers from several of the older concertgoers, many of whom might have been, in their youth, bob-haired jazz babies or zoot-suited swing boys.

Several contemporary big band fans, however, are too young to have been around in the era's heyday, when spit curls and bobby socks reigned supreme

over today's utilitarian "scrunchies" and opaque control-top pantyhose—but perhaps they wish they had been.

"I have a great affinity for the [big band] era," Corie Hoffmann, a freshman, said. "A lot of my favorite songs come from that time... you just don't find that quality in music today."

"I like that kind of music a lot, and I thought the band was great," freshman Jessica Folkerts said. "But it was disappointing that more students didn't show up, especially since the show was free."

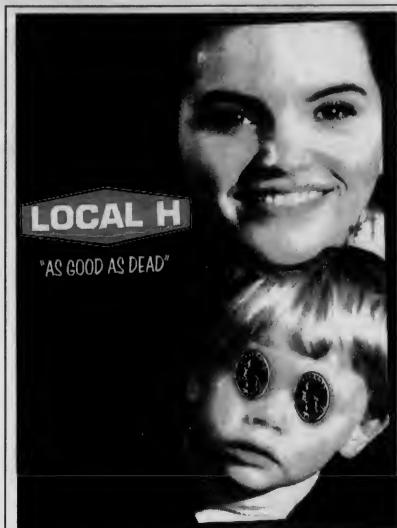
Folkerts has a point. Fredericksburg Big Band pianist and MWC alum Than Kirby told me that the band will often charge admission for its shows but donate the proceeds to charity. Founded 31 years ago by area attorney Duval Hicks (who also wrote about 80% of the group's musical arrangements), the band has raised more than \$1 million for charitable causes.

Kirby, who has been with the band for about a year, is its youngest member; most of his bandmates are older men with stable "day jobs." However, he says the age discrepancy doesn't bother anyone. With his bandmates, he feels "just like one of the guys," all of whom share a common interest in and love for big band jazz.

"I'm very glad to have been chosen to be a part of the [Fredericksburg Big Band]—it's a great honor," said Kirby, who graduated from MWC last year and plays saxophone and keyboards with the local rock group Chasing Magic.

Kirby, like students Hoffmann and Folkerts, believes that big band music will never go out of style. The fact that he also plays in a contemporary rock band is evidence that no matter what direction modern music takes, its foundation need not be forgotten. Without the brilliantly innovative work of hep cat jazzers like Count Basie and Duke Ellington, hip-hop, techno and rock n' roll as we know them would not exist.

The Fredericksburg Big Band pays homage to this important work skillfully and captivatingly. Take a hint from them; the next time you're at the record store, instead of picking up something by Jewel or God forbid, the Spice Girls, try something by Billie Holiday—a woman whose impassioned vocals are so dolorous, it's rumored that during the Great Depression, many a failed Wall Street mogul "checked out" while listening to one of her recordings on the phonograph.



Keepin' it Copacetic at the Underground

Local H will be playing the Underground Sunday, Feb. 23 at 7:30. Failure and Edna Swap will be opening for the band. Tickets for MWC students are \$3 (with an ID). The cost is \$5 for the general public. The show is being presented by Giant Productions.

MOVIE REVIEWS



"In Love and War"

By Susan Weiss and Mark Finney

Bullet Movie Critics

Susan and Mark's Rating System:

Loser
Weak
Featherweight
Middleweight
Heavyweight

Sue's analysis:

"In Love and War" starring Sandra Bullock and Chris O'Donnell is based on the true romance of one of the most notably depressed writers of all time: Ernest Hemingway. Set in beautiful northern Italy during the first World War, it revolves around the question, "Is all fair in love?" Fans of Hemingway may find it interesting to see him portrayed in his glorious youth: ambitious, cocky, bright, and innocent. O'Donnell fits the part perfectly, coming across much like a Disney character.

The movie actually appealed to me more and more after I left the movie theater. If you can endure the slow moving parts of the movie (the beginning and the middle), the painful attempt to keep the battle scenes "light" and palatable, and the conventionality of most of the plot, the end is like a sudden punch in the stomach. You wake up from your stupor, struck and yet touched by the poignant truth of it all. It leaves you thinking, "Ah, the wretchedness of humanity!" Go see it if you have the patience and if you thrive on watching miserable humans screw up their lives. I rate this one as

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The Lounge Lizard

By Rob Thormeyer and Dave McKim
Bullet Staff Writers

Well, it's that time of the year again. No, not the State of the Union Address, but Valentine's Day. Here are a few flicks we recommend to watch with that special someone.

1. "Showgirls": For those who spend Valentine's Day alone, this is the one for you. Elizabeth Berkley's performance, which was mysteriously snubbed by the Oscars, will turn the loneliest of guys (ESPECIALLY the loneliest guys).

2. "Alibis of Love, The O.J. Simpson Story": For the first time ever, O.J. tells his story of hatred and murder as a delightful new musical comedy, with a new score by Andrew Lloyd Webber that will stab its way into your heart (through your lower abdomen). O.J.'s performance will blow you away (that is, if he hasn't already done so literally), and Oliver Stone's directing, well, all we can say is "controversial." This makes "Natural Born Killers" look like "Zeus and Roxanne" (starring Steve "Where did all the good times go?" Guttenberg). Due to the controversial nature of this film, retailer Hertz International have decided that the film will only be seen at the end of the training tapes they give to new employees, supplies limited.

3. "Krush": Remember this light-hearted comedy through Hell? Well, neither do we.

4. "Say Anything": Alright, so the only reason we picked this is because John Cusack wears a Clash t-shirt. From what we hear, there's some love and romance and all that cheesy stuff they, if you want real cheese, just flip back to the Sports page and read that huge chunk of Limburger, the Smoking Gun, but that's why they're for girls.*

5. "Independence Day": Now this is romance! Explosions, guns, environmentally conscience scientists, Bill Pullman as president, explosions, some drunk guy playing Randy Quaid, aliens, explosions, lasers, nice backdrops, laptop computers confounding sophisticated alien technology, an "exotic" dancer (see, we told you there was romance!), and the White House blows up. Too bad closing off Pennsylvania Ave. doesn't apply to aliens with ships bigger than Rhode Island. Forget those crappy conversation heart candies, get this for your Valentine and you'll be hearing about it for a long time.

6. The Complete Pauly Shore Collection: Pick one, you can't lose. If

see LIZARD, page 9



this sought-after collection has sold out, you might want to consider the Ernest Goes Straight to Video priced boxed-set.

7. "Groundhog Day": Hey—its Bill Murray, what else do you want? Besides, its romantic and funny, what more is there? Chris Elliott, that's what!

8. One to avoid, "Sleepless in Seattle": We certainly didn't have any trouble sleeping during this movie. We didn't need to sit through two hours to find out that Tom Hanks and Meg Ryan end up together. B-O-R-I-N-G!

9. "Star Wars, The Special Edition": Damn straight it's special! Special enough to completely empty this campus on a Friday night (but then, what doesn't empty this campus on a Friday night). See the romantic tension build between Chewbacca and R2-D2 (can droid and Wookie co-habitate?). Feel the excitement build as Luke struggles to use the Force to control his acting. See the beginning of Harrison Ford's career, and the sad, pathetic end of many, countless others (the list is too long to fit in this parthenographical expression, but we can't resist mentioning Billy Dee "Psychic Friends" Williams).

10. "The Lounge Lizard, the Motion Picture" (working title): Oh, did we mention we had a movie coming out? We didn't? Oh, Well, we've got a movie coming out filled with romance, intrigue, spies, fuming muskets (figure that one out), car chases, submarine chases, and yes, the Lizard gets the girl (Kathy Ireland to be exact). While we've had some "creative differences" with directors George "I came out of my retirement to direct this" Lucas and Steven Spielberg, we can definitely tell you that John

WMWC Top Ten List

Place	Album	Artist
1	"New Adventures in Hi Fi"	REM
2	"Nine Objects of Desire"	Suzanne Vega
3	"White Light White Heat"	Social Distortion
4	"First Band on the Moon"	The Cardigans
5	"Odelay!"	Beck
6	"Anti-Christ Superstar"	Marilyn Manson
7	"Among My Swan"	Mazzy Star
8	"Fever In, Fever Out"	Luscious Jackson
9	"Razorblade Suitcase"	Bush
10	"Fountains of Wayne"	Fountains of Wayne

The Top Ten List is compiled by the Music Dept. of WMWC and is determined by the amount of airplay an album receives by the DJs of the station. Questions? Please call the Bullet at x1133 or WMWC at x1152.

Local Music Scene

George Street Grill

Saturday, Genuine Virginia Band

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Friday, SMD Saturday, SMD

Irish Brigade

Friday, Starseed Speed Saturday, Dennis Brennan Band

Coming Attractions...

Saturday, Feb. 15: Step show, 6 p.m., admission charge, Dodd Auditorium (call 654-1666)

Sunday, Feb. 16: Fashion show, 3 p.m., admission charge, Great Hall (call 654-1666)

Tuesday, Feb. 18: Lecture, "Female/Male Relationships," by Marlon Smith, 7 p.m., free, Lee Hall ballroom

Thursday, Feb. 20 - Sunday, March 2: Drama, "Getting Out," by Marsha Norman, duPont Hall, Klein Theatre; Feb. 20-22 & Feb. 27-March 1, 8 p.m.; Feb. 23 & March 2, 2 p.m.; \$6 general admission, \$2 senior citizens & students



"I want to be chilling on a beach in St. Martin with a beer in one hand and a chick in the other."

Ian Chiprut, Sr.

Where in the World Do You Want to Be?



"On our honeymoon."
Josh Floyd, Sr., Frank Orr, Sr.



"Under the Eiffel Tower."

Amy Stoll, Sr.

"Walking the streets of Rome looking for action."
Ernesto Yermoli, Jr.



LIZARD page 8

Hughes will have nothing to do with this project (so stop calling! And that goes for you too, Oliver Stone!). Tentative release date: July 4, 2000. It will be our Independence Day, Jurassic Park, and E.T. all rolled into one. Details forthcoming next week.

*We do not condone immature remarks like these in our column.

MOVIE page 8

a middleweight.

Mark's analysis:

This is a really good movie, I was surprised. I remember looking at the preview and seeing Chris O'Donnell and Sandra Bullock and saying, "What? Is this going to be one of those cheesy romance movies?" And it was, but I actually liked it. O'Donnell is truly believable as the young Ernest Hemingway, and Sandra Bullock does a wonderful job as the beautiful, illustrious Agnes. The story is movie-worthy, even though it is true. I don't know much about Hemingway's life, but if the movie is anything like the real story, then the man is certainly to be revered. I don't want to give away the plot, but this is a very powerful movie. To be so in love... There's not much more I can say about this flick. It was good—in fact I'm giving it a featherweight. Definitely see this, it's worth seeing and inspires conversation.

Sue and Mark's analysis: One featherweight and one middleweight.

BIG BAND, page 8

I urge us all to take the time to explore contemporary music's jazz roots—and the Fredericksburg Big Band's performance on Sunday was a delightful (and free!) opportunity to do just that.

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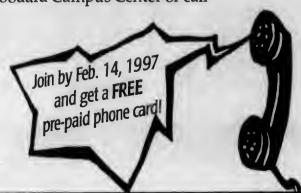
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Student Government Association Executive Cabinet Elections will be held on Feb. 26. Voting for commuting students will take place in the campus center from 12 p.m. - 4 p.m. On-campus students can vote from 7 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. in their residence halls.



The Student Government Association has open executive cabinet positions. The positions available are as follows: president, vice-president, judicial review board president, honor council president, commuting student president, legislative action committee chair person. Non-executive positions are available for judicial review board and vice-president. All interested candidates must attend one of the work shops on Monday, Feb. 17 at 4 p.m. or Tuesday, Feb. 18 at 9 p.m. in the campus center board room. All candidates must be nominated by a senator in senate Wednesday, Feb. 19 at 5 p.m. in Monroe 104.

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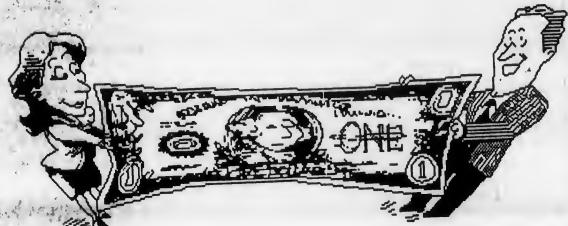
- British Literature
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The Movie Game

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Here are this week's Movie Game matches:

This one is pretty easy:

Macaulay Culkin and Eddie Furlong

Here's one that's a little harder:

Judy Garland and Woody Allen

Do you have any matches you would like to see in the Bullet? Make up your own and send them to box 604 with the solutions.

Here are the answers to last weeks puzzles, provided by Jay Spainhour, and Karen Mauser:

Tom Cruise and Nathan Lane

Tom Cruise - Dustin Hoffman (*Rain Man*); **Dustin Hoffman** - Robin Williams (*Hook*); **Robin Williams** - **Nathan Lane** (*The Birdcage*)

Humphrey Bogart and Wesley Snipes

Humphrey Bogart - Katherine Hepburn (*African Queen*);
Katherine Hepburn - Jane Fonda (*On Golden Pond*); **Jane Fonda** - Dabney Coleman (*Nine to Five*); **Dabney Coleman** - Uma Thurman (*Where the Heart Is*); **Uma Thurman** - Samuel Jackson (*Pulp Fiction*); **Samuel Jackson** - **Wesley Snipes** (*Jungle Fever*)

Send your solutions, and puzzle suggestions to the Bullet at box 604 - Just write it down and drop it in the Campus Mail slot with our number. Next week we will print the answers and give two more exciting movie matches. Oh, and don't forget to put your name on it!

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ANIMALS page 3

So, I ask again what does racism, sexism and specism have in common. It is the feeling of an individual or a group of individuals that they have certain inborn rights of control over a supposedly inferior group. People have fought over the years to legally end the discrimination associated with racism and sexism. Isn't it only logical to think all species can live happily on this earth without

necessarily having to either kill or be killed or tortured or be tortured?

Just like with racism and sexism one day the compassionate caring of animals will prevail, and "men" will look upon the murder of animals as they now look on the murder of man! -Leonardo DaVinci.

Those who oppose specism, and deny that the atrocities are truly occurring are the same type of people who in the past hindered the path to

the legal ending of racism and sexism. So, to those who feel that way live and worst punishment is to live with it on your conscience. Then to those who feel a little something for animals, inform yourself and find out what you can do.

For since animals can't speak for themselves, it is up to us, as compassionate humans to lend them a hand and a voice.

Brenda Reader is a freshman at MWC.

LETTERS page 3

among many rather than a dominating influence.

David T. Wrubel
SGA academic affairs chair

Rumors Condemn Interest Houses

Editor:

In the midst of the battle to save the special interest houses from being closed by the administration, there have been some concerns raised about the structural integrity of the houses and safety of the residents.

More to the point, someone has been spreading a hideous rumor that each of the houses is in a deplorable, dangerous condition and that is the reason why the administration is carrying through with their plan.

What really bothers me is that it is being spread around campus like wildfire through Hall Council and Senate meetings without any proof that this is the case.

Although it seems that we will never know the "real" reasons why the administration is going after the houses, the excuse that the houses are unsafe is shallow, misinformed and to confuse the students on campus who are deciding whether to support the fight to save the houses or to stand by and let another MWC tradition end.

Now it must be said that the basement of Fairfax House has been condemned for a while, thus has been closed off to students; however, none of the other four houses have been condemned in any way and have never been unsafe to student residents. And since the only potentially dangerous part of Fairfax House has been closed already, there is really no imminent danger to students living there. No one has

even told us exactly why the basement is condemned!

In addition, it is utterly ridiculous to say, as one administrator has recently been quoted as saying, that "they [the houses] don't hold up the way a dorm would with steel and tile."

Obviously this administrator hadn't read the editorial in the Bullet from January 31 about Alvey Hall's overflowing toilets, exploding light fixtures and heating ducts, and constantly leaking roof. How old is Alvey Hall? About one-tenth the age of Framar House, and Framar House has not experienced anything even similar to these horrific incidents. Framar, with its sold construction, has never had these problems.

It is true that the houses are older than most of the other residence halls, and may require more general maintenance (which the college rarely gives them in a proper fashion)—but they are well-constructed homes undeserving of the slander being slung on them by certain administrators and their messengers.

In fact, more damage will be done to these houses if they are converted in to offices or a "conference center" than if they remain as the MWC special interest houses. They were built for residences and will hold up best so.

But then again, I suppose the administration isn't looking to hold them up very well. They haven't tried very hard so far.

Joe Pierce
resident of Framar House

"Slut Hut" Title a Tradition At MWC

Editor:

In response to the guest column

entitled "Virginia Hall Resident Tired of Names," we will take this opportunity to question some of the points discussed by Lydie Kane. We find Kane's tirade petty, disrespectful and uninformed.

The pomposity of Kane's editorial is insufferable. We would hope that someone addressing any publication would take the time to edit their remarks and present themselves and their thoughts with the utmost respect for the readership.

A fine example of her overwrought, offensive commentary is, "To those who contribute to this pathetic display of high school, chauvinistic, pompous regression..." Does anyone else question the direction or tone of this comment?

The tradition of calling Virginia Hall the "Virgin Vault" and later the "Slut Hut" is older than Kane. We are women of MWC, and we have callously referred to Virginia Hall in this manner long before we began our freshman years.

We will do it again.

In fact other colleges right here in Virginia have similar dorms and names, such as Barrett Hall at the College of William and Mary. Even Mary Baldwin College, as an all female institution, is referred to as a "Virgin Vault." Virginia Hall has not been targeted because of its name.

If Madison, Alvey or any other dormitory were all female they would assume the same label. While we may not agree with the terminology or the sentiment Kane has addressed, we also do not agree with the verbal attack she launched.

Maybe Miss Kane, the next time you are "chillin' with [your] thoughts," you can take your own advice and do something productive like... maybe get a life." Just "leave us the hell alone."

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Faculty Group Challenges Higher Education Policies

By Robert Cooney
Bullet Staff Writer

The American Association of University Professors (AAUP), a group which faded at Mary Washington College in the 70's due to a lack of interest, has suddenly returned with vigor.

This group's resurgence is in response to faculty discontent over a decline in academic freedom on both a national level and at Mary Washington College. Post-tenure review is one of the largest concerns for the Mary Washington chapter of AAUP at this time.

Post-tenure review charts the competency and effectiveness of professors who have already received tenure. Under the system, a tenured teacher may be terminated if the administration feels that the professor does not live up to the school's criteria.

"This is to protect the students and the school from faculty who have lost their effectiveness in the classroom," said Dean of Faculty Barbara Palmer.

In Mary Washington's academic catalogue, one of the foremost values in its mission is as follows: "The freedom of intellectual inquiry in the pursuit of truth." Some faculty fear that by altering the tenure system the administration will be removing the protection of a professor's rights. The fear is that the system may be used to do away with people who the administration deems undesirable because of their personal views, rather than a measure of their competency.

"We want to make sure the faculty handbook is being followed," said Vicki MacLean, assistant professor of sociology and a cofounder of the local chapter of the AAUP. "With all that's going on a lot of people aren't sure that the college mission is being met."

An established system for terminating tenured faculty members is outlined in the faculty handbook; however, a campaign led by the State Council of Higher Education has prompted the administration to add new criteria for reform of this old system.

Palmer stressed that post-tenure review was not an initiative of the College administration.

"With this kind of national climate in education, post-



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the function, the sponsoring group(s) must pay for three hours of work per guard.

According to Erma Baker, material management director, the current security rate is \$11.43 per hour.

While requests for exemption from compensation of MWC officers will be considered on a case-by-case basis, no exemptions will be given for compensation of Intersec security guards.

The cancellation policy had not been enforced in the past because late cancellations hadn't been a continual problem. Perry sent the memorandum because the number of last minute cancellations has increased recently, according to Collins, who is in charge of hiring and scheduling security for campus events.

"Recently we've had more late-notice cancellations," said Collins. "I've had 12 events cancelled since September. Because of the way records are kept, I can't go back and count how many cancellations we've had in the past, but it's pretty obvious to me, since I've been doing student events for a while now, that this is an increase."

The reenactment of the cancellation policy was decided upon by the Office of Residence Life, the Office of Student Activities and Conrad Warlick, senior vice president for administrative and student services, according to Susan Ames, special events/facilities reservations coordinator.

MWC Police Officer Jeffrey Bunn recently learned first-hand the frustration of being scheduled to work only to have the event cancelled on short notice.

"It's obviously somewhat frustrating. I mean, these special events are done above and beyond our 40-hour weeks. Unless you sign up to do it, it's kind of frustrating when you're assigned to it, and you have to change your plans and dress in the uniform," Bunn said.

According to Collins, there were other reasons which led to the reinstatement of the cancellation policy. Both Intersec security officers and Mary Washington police officers needed to be fully compensated financially for attending events which had been cancelled at the last minute.

"Whatever group is sponsoring the event has to pay for it," said Collins.

Tenure review is one way of proving we are both accountable and extremely effective," said Palmer.

"It is hard to be in favor of something when it is forced on you," she added.

Mary Washington College is not the only college facing these changes or concerns. In an article which appeared last December in the Free Lance-Star, the General Assembly stated that a "rigorous" review policy for tenured professors "must be in place in order for any salary adjustment to occur. The same article reported that Old Dominion University, where post-tenure was first developed, "it has led up to 12 professors to leave or retire."

"I am really leery about something that might change the nature of tenure," said Ernest Ackerman, professor of computer science, associate director of academic computing, and president of the Mary Washington chapter of the AAUP. "We have to be able to teach our classes how faculty think they should be taught and with materials faculty think are appropriate."

Many concepts have been borrowed from the business world and are now being used to run academia on campuses across the United States. These concepts include such things as the new merit pay system, the use of adjuncts rather than full-time faculty, and the privatization of campus businesses such as the post office and copy center.

"Universities and colleges are being run like corporations and these are two different systems with two different goals that don't always work well together," said Paul Zisman, professor of education and one of the founders of the local chapter of the AAUP.

Clavio Ascar, professor of modern foreign languages and a 20-year-member of AAUP, agreed with Zisman. "Capitalism is being applied to education and it doesn't work that way," Ascar said. "We are not making toothpaste here."

AAUP plans to meet with Palmer at least once a month for discussion into post-tenure and other issues. Palmer said she supports AAUP's campus activity.

"I like them; they're my faculty. There are many good organizational groups on campus; certainly the AAUP deserves a place among them," Palmer said.

With at least 49 faculty members having shown an interest in participating in Mary Washington's chapter of AAUP, hope that the group will accomplish something is high.

"The faculty is a band of eccentrics. It's hard to get us together on anything," said Zisman. "We have to get over our ideological differences to accomplish anything. But I think the AAUP's time on campus has finally come."

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Sophomore Quatorisha White saw the movie over the weekend.

"I think it was an accurate portrayal of the events that took place on the way to the Million Man March and I think the movie was very powerful," she said. "I think it was a really good addition to the Black History Month events."

Another smaller event was the Black Student Association's International Formal. This event, which boasted a live jazz band, drew a number of people from outside the group. Freshman Rachel Dorsey attended the formal and was impressed.

"It was awesome; I loved it. It wasn't what I expected; it was newer jazz, but there was a lot of energy and it was a lot of fun," she said.

Other students appreciated the diversity of the events, the theme of the month's celebration.

"Overall it was great. I enjoyed myself. Unlike some of the other events on campus, it was very diverse," said sophomore Francisca Birago.

Parker said that programs organized by the Multicultural Center during Black History Month and other celebratory months are cosponsored by many different organizations both on- and off-campus.

Thus far, Birago feels this year's Black History Month celebration has gone well.

"Overall campus-wide it was good. Thumbs up to everyone who planned it," Birago said.

Correction:

In the Feb. 6 issue of The Bullet, Marita Golden was referred to as a poet. She is, in fact, a fiction and non-fiction writer.

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